MEMORANDUM

TO: Service List

FROM: William H. Stevens, Jr., Hearing Officer

RE: NSTAR Electric, D.T.E. 03-121 (Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference)

DATE: April 15, 2004

CC: Mary Cottrell, Secretary

Staff as assigned

att.: Procedural Schedule (February 14, 2004)

Hearings in <u>NSTAR Electric</u>, D.T.E. 03-121 are scheduled for April 28-30 and May 3-5, 2004. Due to the number of parties presenting cases in this proceeding, I have scheduled a pre-hearing conference on Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room A.

The agenda of the conference is as to establish a witness schedule for the evidentiary hearings schedule established on February 10, 2004. Parties must be prepared to indicate whether they wish to cross-examine a witness, and agree to a maximum time for cross-examination. I also request that one "lead counsel" be identified for each party that will be responsible for both direct and cross-examination at the evidentiary hearings. I appreciate your continued co-operation in this proceeding.